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CAUSED BY DEFICIENCIES OF

RECOMBINANT ALPHA-L-IDURONIDASE

37 C.F.R. §1.116 RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 21, 2004

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the **final** Office action dated January 21, 2004. A response is due on April 21, 2004, however the response is being filed within two-months of the mailing date of the Office action (filed on March 22, 2004, because the due date of March 21, 2004 was a Sunday). No fees are believed to be due, however, should any fees be deemed necessary in connection with the present paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Amendments to the Specification. There are no amendments to the specification.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.